

PRAIRIE STATE NATIONAL BANK,

110 West Washington St., corner Desplaines,

Chicago, Ill. June 2, 1894.

To the Supt' of the U.S. Mint,  
Phila' Pa.

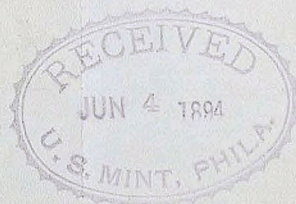
Dear Sir:

We have an ingot of gold, about 500-pennyweights, and nearly 24 carats fine, which we wish to have assayed and stamped by the Mint and returned as an ingot ( not coined ) Please inform us if such a service would be rendered by you, and the cost of same, and instruct us how to ship the gold to reach the proper official. We wish to obtain some kind of a certificate of weight, and fineness, and value for coinage, to exhibit with the ingot for advertising purposes. If, by remelting, the gold can be made pure, entirely free of any alloy, we wish to get it into that form.

Respectfully

*George Van Zandt*

*Send by Express with order for return, in fine gold bar, say 999 fine. The charge will be at the rate of 4 cents per ounce for refining, and \$1 for melting.*





Chicago - Ill.  
June 2. 1894

Prairie State Natl Bank

Relative to having  
Ingot of Gold assayed  
& stamped - (nat. coin)

June 3. 1894.

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June 4. 1894

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NARA RG104, Entry 1, Box 186

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